GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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AIDS - II PROJECT IN HIMACHAL PRADESH
SURESH CHANDEL

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have sanctioned Rs. 395.58 lakh to launch AIDS-II Project in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether Himachal Pradesh Government have launched the project in spite of not receiving payment of balance amount of Rs. 291.58 lakh from Union Government; and

(c) if so, whether Union Government have made payment of balance amount to the State Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) Yes, Sir. An annual action plan for an amount of Rs.395.58 lakhs was approved by the National AIDS Control Board for the Himachal Pradesh State AIDS Control Society for implementation of AIDS-II Project during 1999-2000.

(b) & (c) Based on availability of budgetary provision, a sum of Rs. 318 lakhs was released to the Himachal Pradesh State AIDS Control Society during 1999-2000. Apart from the above a sum of Rs.262.50 lakhs has been released to Himachal Pradesh against the approved action of Rs. 212 lakhs during the year 2000-01.

In 2001-02, the approved action plan for the Himachal Pradesh Society is Rs. 266.89 lakhs against which Rs. 150 lakhs have been released, so far. Apart from this another release of Rs. 113.50 lakhs has been approved for Himachal Pradesh.These funds will be released shortly.